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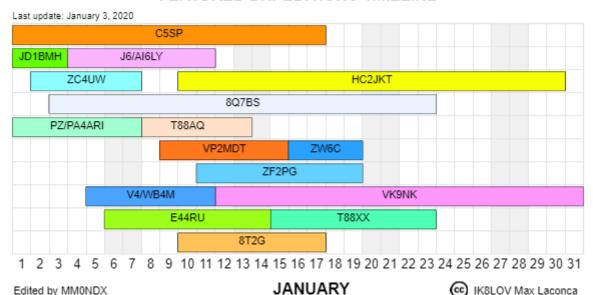
Latest news

3D2AG/P Rotuma -update by Antoine 3D2AG January 6

About 5 more days to go before antennas are pulled down. Had some success on 160m FT8 last night, to east coast NA on FT8.On other bands, especially 20m, the FT8 situation is becoming quite hopeless. When I call on the advertised frequency of 14072 for instance, endless CQs result in no takers and is a time and fuel-wasting exercise, while calling on the main frequency (14074) is an impossibly difficult task finding a clear spot to both TX and RX using multiple streams. https://dx-world.net/3d2aq-p-rotuma/

DXCC Timeline

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DXCC

This week on HF

- **3D2**, **FIJI** Darren, VK4MAP is once again active from Viti Levu as 3D2DJ until January 15. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using SSB. QSL via home call.
- **3D2, ROTUMA** The next 3D2AG/p Rotuma Island one-op DXpedition is active until around January 11. Focus on the low bands including 160 and 60 meter, with QRO when required.
- **8Q, MALDIVES** Sergey, RX3AMY is operating from Mahibadhoo as 8Q7BS until January 23. Activity on 20 and 40 meter using SSB with some CW.
- **9J, ZAMBIA** Mario, IK1MYT is active from Lusaka as 9J2MYT until May. Activity on 80, 40, 20, 15 and 10 meter using SSB. QSL via IZ3KVD, Club Log OQRS.
- **9M2, WEST MALAYSIA** Rich, PAORRS is QRV as 9M2MRS until February 27. Activity on HF using CW and digital modes. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.
- **C5, THE GAMBIA** Przemyslaw, SP3PS is operating as C5SP until January 17. Operation on HF using SSB, FT8/FT4. "I'm also going on an expedition deep into the African mainland, the car will be Ft-100 with Atas 120A so I will also try to connect by breaking through Mobile. I invite everyone to QSO."
- **C5, THE GAMBIA** Andre, ON7YK is active from Bijilo until March as C5YK. Operation from 60 to 10 meter using FT8 with some SSB and CW. QSL via home call, LoTW. http://www.on7yk.eu/
- **E4, PALESTINE** The Russian Robinson team with Vasily R7AL, Vasily RA1ZZ, Leonid RW9JZ and Nikolai R5EC are active as E44RU until January 14. Focus on the low bands. https://dxpedition.wixsite.com/e44ru
- **EA8, CANARY ISL** Erich, HB9FIH is operating as EA8/call from El Hierro until end March. Operation on HF using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call bureau and LoTW. http://hb9fih.org/
- **EX, KYRGYZSTAN** Andrea, HB9DUR is operating from Bishkek as EX0DX until January 11. Operation on HF during his spare time. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS and LoTW.
- **FO, FRENCH POLYNESIA** Will AA4NC and Ron AA4VK will be operating as TX4N between January 11 and January 17. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included. QSL via EA5GL.
- **HR, HONDURAS** Gerard, F2JD is once again operating as HR5/call until April 4. QRV from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via F6AJA direct or bureau.
- **HS, THAILAND** Brad, VK2BY is active as HS0ZNR until January 8. QRV from 80 to 10 meter using SSB and FT8. QSL via OQRS Club Log, home call direct or LoTW.
- **J6, ST LUCIA** John, AI6LY is QRV as J6/call until January 11. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF.
- **T8, PALAU** Kazuyoshi, JH6WDG is QRV as T88AQ until January 13. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.
- **T8, PALAU** A Japanese team with JI3DNN (T88CZ), JH3LSS (T88DK), JA3HJI (T88DN), JA3IVU (T88ED), JA3ARJ (T88EF) and JA3AVO (T88MB) will be active between January 15-23. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using all modes. QSL via homecalls.
- **V4, ST KITTS** Fred, WB4M is QRV as V4/call until January 11. Operation on HF using all modes. QSL via home call, LoTW.
- **V6, MICRONESIA** Sho, JA7HMZ will once again be active as V63DX from February 14 until February 21. Operation from 160 to 6 meter. An entry in the ARRL CW contest as V6A is included. QSL via home call, direct.
- **VK9N, NORFOLK ISLAND** Janusz, SP9FIH will be QRV as VK9NK starting mid-January 2020 for a couple of weeks. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call.
- **VP2M, MONTSERRAT** Duane, WV2B will be operating as VP2MDT between January 9-15. Operation on HF using CW and SSB in 'holiday-style'. QSL via home call.
- **VP5, TURKS & CAICOS** David, KM3T is QRV on 'holiday-style' as VP5/call until January 14. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using mainly CW with some FT8.

VP9, BERMUDA Joe, WB9EAO will be QRV as WB9EAO/VP9 between January 9 and January 14. Operation from 160 to 17 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call. **ZF, CAYMAN ISL** Pete, K8PGJ will once again be active as ZF2PG from January 11 until January 19. Operation on HF. QSL via home call, LoTW.

Coming up soon

FG, GUADELOUPE Jean, FG8NY will be operating as TO10CWO between January 17 and January 31. This to mark 10 years of CW Ops. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

IOTA

This week on HF

ASIA

AS-153 Ganga Sagar Mela Operators from West Bengal Radio Club are operating as 8T2G until January 17. QRV on HF. QSL via VU2NRO. This is the annual gathering of Hindu pilgrims to take a holy dip in the Ganges, where the river merges with the Bay of Bengal.

SOUTH AMERICA

SA-034 Puna Isl Jon, EA1VE will be active as HC2JKT during January 10-30, 2020. Dates TBA. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using SSB only. QSL via home call. **SA-080 Tinhare Isl** Look for ZW6C between January 16-19 on 40, 20 and 10 meter using CW and SSB. Operators are PP2OK, PY6ZK, PU6JEL and PY6TV. QSL via PY6TV.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announced DX

THE NEWCOMERS

C2, NAURU A Japanese team with JH3AZC, JH3QFL, JR3CWZ, JA1PFP and JH3VAA will be active as C21MB, C21AA, C21GW, C21PF and C21VA during February 5-8. QRV on HF and VHF bands. QSL via ops' QRZ page instructions.

J8, GRENADINES Oleh, UR5BCP will be operating as J8/call from May 20 until May 27. Operation from 40 to 6 meter using CW, SSB, FT4/8. QSL via KD7WPJ.

J8, GRENADINES Dave, WJ2O will be QRV as J8/call between February 9 and February 20. Operation on HF using CW and FT8. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included. QSL via N2ZN.

T8, PALAU Look for JM1LIG/T88FM, JA6UBY/T88RR and JO3LVG/T88MK between September 12 and September 21. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi.

TI9, COCOS ISL Jorge TI2JV, Dmitry RA9USU, Andrey UA3AB and Mats SM6LRR will be active as TI9A early February 2020. They depart Punta Arenas onboard the Okeanos on January 30th. Operation on all bands/modes.

V3, BELIZE Uwe, DL8UD will be QRV as V31KO from Mayahill between February 11 and February 20. Activity from 160 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. An entry in ARRL CW contest as V3O is included. QSL via home call, bureau or direct.

V3, **BELIZE** Robert, W0YBS will be operating from Caye Caulker as V31CO starting on February 1 for 3 weeks. Activity on HF using CW, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call, LoTW.

THE REMINDERS

- **3B9, RODRIGUES ISLAND** David, F8AAN will be operating as 3B9/call or as 3B9AN between March 9 and March 18. Operation from 160 to 15 meter using CW. QSL via home call, Club Log.
- **3D2, FIJI** Will, AA4NC will be active as 3D2AA during the ARRL DX SSB contest (March 7-8). QSL via EA5GL.
- **4K, AZERBAIJAN** Furkan, TA7AOF will be active as 4K6/call between February 7 and February 12. Focus on the CQ WPX RTTY. See QRZ.com.
- **5H, TANZANIA** Charles, NK8O will again be active from Zinga as 5H3DX during mid-February to mid-March. QRV from 40 to 10 meter using CW and maybe FT8. QSL via NK8O.
- **5H, TANZANIA** The Italian DXpedition will be operating between February 4 and February 18 from Zanzibar Island. QRV as 5I5TT (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as 5I4ZZ (FT8, FT4) with 5 stations. QSL via I2YSB. http://www.i2ysb.com/idt/
- **6Y, JAMAICA** Neil, GORNU will be active as 6Y/call from February 4 until February 17. Active on all bands.
- **8Q, MALDIVES** Kasimir, DL2SBY will be active as 8Q7KB between May 4 and May 12. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW and Club Log OQRS.
- **9J, ZAMBIA** The Z2LA and 7P8LB team are planning a next trip from March 5 until March 15. Look for the team as 9J2LA. They will focus on CW and FT8 for the low bands and CW, SSB and FT8 for the higher bands. QSL via M0OXO. http://9j2la.com/
- **C5, THE GAMBIA** Russell, G5XW will be operating as C5XW from January 28 until February 7. QRV in 'holiday-style' from 40 to 17 meter. QSL via home call.
- **C6, THE BAHAMAS** Mike, DF8AN will be operating as C6AAN after his ZF activation. QRV from February 23 until March. Operation on HF using CW and RTTY. QSL via home call.
- **CEOY, EASTER ISLAND** Mike, VE7ACN will be operating as CE0Y/call from March 19 until March 30. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS, LoTW.
- **CYO, SABLE ISL** Permission for a DXpedition has been authorized for fall 2020. The team: WA2DAN, N2IEN, K5DHY, K5YY, K4UEE, WW2DX, AA4NC, N8AA, N2TU. http://cy0dxpedition.net/index.html
- **E4, PALESTINE** The next F6KOP team DXpedition will be from Palestine as E44CC during February 5-17. QSL via F5GSJ direct or bureau, LoTW and OQRS. https://palestine2020.wordpress.com/
- **E5, SOUTH COOK ISLANDS** Don, VE7DS will be active as E51DDG between February 2 and February 14. Activity from 40 to 17 meter using CW. QSL via home call, LoTW. **FJ, ST BARTHELEMY** Col, MM0NDX will once again be active as FJ/call or FJ/OJOY or both during early May. More to follow.
- **FM, MARTINIQUE** Miguel, EA1BP will be QRV as TO7BP (CW WPX SSB contest) and as FM/call (before and after the contest) around March 28. Operation on HF. QSL for both calls via home call, bureau.
- **FM, MARTINIQUE** Al, F5VHJ will be QRV as TO5A during the ARRL DX SSB contest (March 7-8). QSL via LoTW, OQRS.
- **FM, MARTINIQUE** Kan, JJ2RCJ will be operating as TO3FM between February 3-8. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using FT8. QSL via home call, Club Log OQRS or LoTW. **FP, ST PIERRE & MIQUELON** Eric, KV1J will once again be active as FP/call between June 30 and July 14. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via home call, LoTW.
- **FR, REUNION ISLAND** Roland, F8EN will be operating as FR/call between January 23 and February 18. Activity on HF using CW only. QSL via F6AJA, direct or bureau, logsearch on http://lesnouvellesdx.fr/voirlogs.php
- **H4, SOLOMON ISLANDS** Bernard, DL2GAC will once again be active as H44MS between February 5 and April 20. QRV from his countryside QTH on Malaita Island. Operation from 80 to 6 meter using SSB only.

- **J2, DJIBOUTI** A team with DJ6TF, DK1BT, DL4WK, DL6SAK, DL7BO, DL7DF, DL7UFR and SP3DOI between March 4 and March 16. Callsign is pending. Operation from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. http://www.dl7df.com/j2/
- **J8, GRENADINES** Brian, GW4DVB will once again be active as J88PI from April 6 until April 14. Activity from 40 to 6 meter using mainly SSB and FT8. QSL via home call. **KH4, MIDWAY ISL** Ron, KH6DV announces a trip to Midway in October 2020 for about 2 weeks. Midway Atoll is #14 on the Clublog most wanted list and has not been active for some time. The aircraft used for the logistics flights has been downsized and visitors are no longer allowed to fly to the island. Operators interested in joining the expedition should be prepared to undertake a 6.75 day ocean voyage. The vessel DXpedition veteran A/S Machias can be seen on my QRZ page KH6DV. The vessel will provide all power (2 x 27KW generators and air conditioned sleeping, operating and galley areas.) More to follow.
- KH8, SWAINS ISLAND A large team will be operating as W8S between March 10 and March 25. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB, FT8 and RTTY with 4 stations from 2 different sites. https://swains2020.lldxt.eu/
- **OY, FAROE ISLANDS** Torsten DL4APJ and Udo DL2AQI will be operating as OY/calls from September 15 until September 23. Operation from 80 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via homecalls, bureau and LoTW.
- **PJ4, BONAIRE** Phil, N2HX will be QRV as PJ4/call between March 1 and March 15. An entry in the ARRL SSB DX contest is included (March 7-8). Outside the contest QRV using SSB, RTTY and FT8. QSL via home call.
- **T30, WEST KIRIBATI** Look for Alex 5B4ALX as T30ET from March 18 until April 2 from Tarawa. Activity on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and FT8. Alex will operate FT8 using a multi answer protocol (not to be confused with the Fox & Hound mode), with a focus on 20m during his day and 40m during his night (7-17 UTC). QSL via Club Log OQRS (preferred), LoTW, or via IZ4AMS. http://www.5b4alx.cloud/
- **TI9, COCOS ISL** Mark XE1B and Frank HK5OKY will be active as TI9C between January 30 and February 9. Operation from 160 to 6 meter using SSB only. QSL via XE1B, LoTW and Club Log OQRS. https://www.qrz.com/db/ti9c
- **TI, COSTA RICA** Mike W1USN and Robert AA1M will be active as TI5/calls from February 20 until March 4. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and FT8. QSL via homecalls, LoTW.
- **TT, CHAD** The Italian DXpedition Team will be active as TT8RR (CW, SSB and RTTY) and as TT8XX (FT8) during mid-2020 from Ndjamena. More to follow.
- **TU, IVORY COAST** TU2R will be active from March 23 until April 3 with an entry in the CQ WPX SSB contest. Operation with 3 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via ON1DX direct or bureau, LoTW, OQRS Club Log. https://tu2r.wordpress.com/
- **V2, ANTIGUA** Flavio, IW2NEF will be operating as V26FP between March 6-13. Operation on HF using SSB and FT8. QSL via IK2DUW.
- **V3**, **BELIZE** Iain, G4SGX will once again be QRV as V31GX during the 2020 BERU contest (March 14-15). Operation mostly on top band after the contest. QSL via LoTW. **VK9N**, **NORFOLK ISLAND** Will, AA4NC and Ron AA4VK will be active as VK9NR in 'holiday-style' during February 20-25. Operation on HF. QSL via EA5GL.
- **VP8, SOUTH ORKNEY** After their successful VP6D Ducie Island 2018 DXpedition, the Perseverance DX Group is pleased to announce their intention to activate South Orkney Islands as VP8PJ, currently Club Log #16 most wanted.
- Planning has begun for an expedition in February/March 2020. A team of experienced DX and Contest operators will operate from Signy Island for up to 15 days. The process of obtaining landing permission is underway. The call sign will be announced at a later date. The team will sail from Punta Arenas, Chile aboard RV Braveheart. Seven operating positions are planned for 160-10 meters, SSB/CW/Digital.
- The team includes: Dave K3EL, Les W2LK, Steve W1SRD, Ricardo PY2PT, Gene K5GS, Arliss W7XU, Heye DJ9RR, Laci HA0NAR, Mike WA6O, Vadym UT6UD, Walt N6XG and Rob N7QT. https://sorkney.com/

YJ, VANUATU Dates to be confirmed but Will, AA4NC will be operating from Port Villa as YJONC somewhere during March. Operation in 'holiday-style' on HF.

YJ, VANUATU Continuing their Pacific journey, look for Will AA4NC and Ron AA4VK to be active from Vanuatu as YJ0NC during March 3-6. QRV on HF bands. QSL via EA5GL. YS, EL SALVADOR Andy DH8WR, Tom DJ6TF, Werner DJ9KH, Frank DL1KWK, Dietmar DL2HWA, Norbert DL2RNS, Georg DL4SVA, Olaf DL7JOM, Rolf DL7VEE and Franz DL9GFB will be operating as HU1DL between January 30 and February 13. This DX-pedition was possible with the help of YS1GMV, YS1AG, YS1MAE, YS1RS, YS1MS and team members of HU2DX (2012). QRV with 3 stations non-stop from 160 to 17 meter using CW, SSB and digi. More to follow.

Z6, KOSOVO A German team will be operating as Z66DX between October 9 and October 28. Dates may slightly change. Operation with 2 stations from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. More to follow.

ZF, CAYMAN ISLANDS Frank, KK5XX will be operating as ZF2FD from Grand Cayman from June 10 until June 17. Activity on 80, 40 and 20 meter using CW and SSB. QSL via home call.

ZF, CAYMAN ISL Mike, DF8AN will be operating as ZF2AN from Grand Cayman between February 14 and February 23. Operation on HF using CW and RTTY. QSL via home call.

Announced IOTA

THE NEWCOMERS

ASIA

AS-068 Rastorguyeva Isl A team with Igor UA9KDF as team leader will be active as RI0B sometime mid-March. Dates depend on the weather.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-153 Perez Isl A team with XE1SPM, XE1AY, XE1SRD and XE1SY will be operating as 6F3A from February 11 until February 17. This is a very rare IOTA. Operation from 80 to 6 meter with 3 stations. QSL via XE1SY.

THE REMINDERS

AFRICA

AF-063 Pemba Isl Members of the Low Bands Contest Club will be operating as 5H4WZ between February 6 and February 18, 2020. Activity from 160 to 10 meter using CW, SSB and digi. An entry in the ARRL DX CW and CQ WPX RTTY contests is included. QSL via OM3PA.

ASIA

AS-207 Kosa Dvukh Pilotov Isl A Russian Robinson team led by UA3AKO will be active as R207NEW sometime spring 2020. More to follow.

NORTH AMERICA

NA-039 Adak Isl Yuri, N3QQ will be active as KL7RRC from Adak and perhaps another rare IOTA between June 6 and June 20, 2020. QSL via N7RO. https://www.na-234.com/

NA-199 Tintamarre Isl Mike VE7ACN will be operating as FS/RW0CN from Saint Martin and as FS/VE7ACN between February 9 and February 16, 2020. Operation from 80 to 10 meter, maybe 160 also. An entry in the ARRL DX CW contest is included.

NA-249 Culebra Isl The KP3RE team is returning during February 21-23, 2020. QSL via EA5GL.

OCEANIA

OC-092 Calayan Isl Jacek, SP5APW will be active as DU2/call during the 2nd half of April 2020. Operation on HF using SSB, FT8/4.

Antarctic Bases

Concordia Base Marco/IK5SQX/DK5SQX and Nicola/IZ7ZNZ travel Cape Prud'Homme (WAP MNB-NEW) and hopes to activate this location if weather conditions allow. Afterwards, he continues to Concordia (WAP MNB-03), which Nicola will reach by plane. They plan to get on the air as soon as possible, however research work will take precedence. Marco is due to leave the station during February, while Nicola will stay on for a bit longer. They are expecting the callsign **IAODC** and want to concentrate on 20m (SSB)

Halley VI Base Until February 8 Seba SQ1SGB is active from Halley VI Base as VP8HAL on 40 and 20 meter using SSB and digital modes during his spare time. https://www.qrz.com/db/SQ1SGB

Neumayer III Station Felix, DL5XL will once again be active from Antarctica using callsign DP1POL. Activity is January-February on HF bands, mainly in CW when time permits. QSL via DL1ZBO, LoTW.

Neumayer III Station Look for Roman, HB9HCF to be active from Neumayer III Station during the upcoming 2020 scientific research season. QRV on satellites and possibly HF bands QSL via DL5EBE.

Wolf's Fang Camp Oleg, UA1PBA is operating when time permits as ZS7ANF. QSL via RK1PWA. http://www.waponline.it/zs7ant-a-new-antarctic-season-by-oleg-sakharov/

Special calls

THE NEWCOMERS

F, FRANCE Look for special event station **TM17AAW** to be on air <u>from 3 to 17 February</u> 2020. Activity is to celebrate the 17th Antarctic Activity Week. All info on this event on https://www.qrz.com/db/TM17AAW

Operation will be made by François F8DVD from his Qth of Mâcon in the east part of France, 60 km North of Lyon (JN26JH).

The new reference for WAP program is WAP-302.

QSL via F8DVD, direct (SAE + 2 USD) or via buro. All Qso will be uploaded to LOTW.

THE REMINDERS

DL, GERMANY Celebrating the 70th anniversary of the Deutscher Amateur Radio Club (the German IARU society), special calls **DF70DARC** and **DP70DARC** are on air <u>during 2020</u>. QSL via bureau, LoTW or direct to DK5DC; logsearch on Club Log. http://www.70darc.club/ (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Yannick, DK1YH and others are active as **DL30GER** during 2020 to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the German reunification process. QSL via the bureau or direct via DK1YH. (TNX 425DX)

DL, GERMANY Special call **DL100BKW** is active <u>throughout 2020</u> to mark the 100th anniversary of the first broadcast transmission from the Radio Station Koenigs Wusterhausen (22 December 1920), which is regarded as the birth of statutorily regulated broadcasting in Germany. QSL via Club Log OQRS. A certificate will be available, see qrz.com for information. (TNX DXNL)

F, FRANCE Look for François F8DVD as **TM70TAAF** between January 12 and January 26, 2020. The special callsign commemorates the 70th anniversary of the first Amateur Radio contacts with French Southern and Austral Territories (FSAT - TAAF). These took place in January 1950 during the building of scientific research stations on Saint Paul and

Amsterdam island (FB8ZZ), Kerguelen island (FB8XX) and Adelie Land in Antarctica (FB8AX).

TM70TAAF will be operated from F8DVD QTH in Mâcon, 60 km north of Lyon (JN26JH). Reference for WAP program is WAP 301 (www.waponline.it)

QSL via bureau, direct with SASE and LOTW.

For more info: www.grz.com/db/TM70TAAF

G, ENGLAND Celebrating the New Year 2020, special event stations **GB0HNY**, **GB1HNY**, **GB2HNY**, **GB5HNY**, **GB6HNY**, **GB8HNY** and **GB9HNY** are active until January 24. They are being run by members of Denby Dale ARS. Paper QSL cards will not be issued. (TNX 425DX)

G, ENGLAND Celebrating the British Amateur Radio Teledata Group's 60th anniversary, special call **GB60ATG** is used from the various DXCC Entities in the United Kingdom until end June 2020. QSL via M0OXO. Complete information on the event and the BARTG Diamond Jubilee Award can be found on http://bartg.org.uk/wp/ (TNX 425DX) **HB9, SWITZERLAND** The Association des Radioamateurs de la Cote (HB9HI) is operating special event station **HE2JOJ** during January to mark the 3rd edition of the Winter Youth Olympic Games (Jeux Olympiques de la Jeunesse) to be hosted by Lausanne. QSL via HB9HI (direct or bureau). A certificate will be available - complete information can be found on https://www.hb9hi.ch/he2joj. The Youth Olympic Games, an international multi-sport event organized by the International Olympic Committee, aim at bringing together talented young athletes aged 15-18 from around the world. (TNX 425DX)

HB9, SWITZERLAND HB40HTC and **HB40HC** are QRV for the Helvetia Telegraphy Club that is celebrating its 40th anniversary <u>in 2020</u>. QSL via bureau and LoTW. A special activity programme - the HB Open CW Activity (HB-OCWA) Award - will be in place throughout the year to mark the anniversary, help activate the special callsigns and also "inspire amateur radio operators in Switzerland and elsewhere to increase CW activity on the HF bands. The intent of the award is to encourage and reward them for conducting sustained CW conversations rather than short-duration CW signal reports". https://hb-ocwa.ch/

HK, COLOMBIA The Liga de Radioficionados de Manizales is operating as **5K6RM** <u>until</u> <u>January 14</u>. Operation on all bands using CW, SSB and digi. QSL via bureau, direct and LoTW.

I, ITALY Members of the 4U1GSC Amateur Radio Club is active as **4U25B** <u>until end</u> <u>August</u>. It draws attention to the 25th anniversary of the United Nations Logistics Base in Brindisi. QSL via 9A2AA direct or bureau. (TNX DXNL)

I, ITALY ARI Fidenza will use a series of special calls <u>during 2020</u> to commemorate 12 major events and achievements in Guglielmo Marconi's life:

January: **II4BRN** Marconi's birth (1874)

<u>February</u>: **II4MLB** First radio broadcast of a musical performance: Dame Nellie

Melba's song recital (1920)

March: II4MCY Foundation of the first "Marconi Company" (1897)
April: II4FTX First transatlantic radio signals transmission (1901)

May: **II4TEA** First radio message between the United States and the United

Kingdom (1903)

<u>June</u>: **II4REP** Rescue of the ocean liner "Republic" (1909)

<u>July</u>: **II4NBL** Marconi is awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics (1909) <u>August</u>: **II4CLT** Inauguration of the radio station at Coltano (1911)

<u>September</u>: **II4PTN** Marconi applies for his first patent (1896)

October: II4LGH Marconi switches on the lights at Sydney Town Hall from Genoa

via wireless transmission (1930)

November: **II4RVT** Inauguration of Vatican Radio (1931)

<u>December</u>: **II4MDY** Marconi Day at Chicago World's Fair (1933)

QSL via IQ4FE, bureau or direct. See http://arifidenza.hamlogs.net/ for the award and more info.

OE, AUSTRIA Wolfgang, OE1WWL is celebrating his golden jubilee in amateur radio during 2020 as **OE1970WWL**. An entry in the CQ WW WPX SSB contest is included (March 28-29) as OE0WWL. QSL via home call, bureau and LoTW. (TNX 425DX) **PA, THE NETHERLANDS PA75LIMBURG** commemorates the liberation of the province Limburg 75 years ago. QRV until March 2020. QSL via Club Log OQRS, PC8DB direct or bureau. (TNX 425DX).

PA, THE NETHERLANDS Special station PA75VERON is active <u>during 2020</u> to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Vereniging voor Experimenteel Radio Onderzoek in Nederland. Activity from 40 to 10 meter using FT8. QSL via LoTW only.

SP, POLAND Special calls 3Z90PZK, HF90PZK, SN90PZK and SP90PZK are QRV <u>during 2020</u> to celebrate the 90th anniversary of the Polish Amateur Radio Union (PZK, Poland's IARU Society). Active during the same period are also HF90TPAR, HF90TPBB, HF90TPBF, HF90TPBG, HF90TPCF and HF90TPCG, whose suffixes memorialize the callsigns of the founding members of the Lwowski Klub Krotkofalowcow, the first amateur radio club in Poland and forefather of PZK. QSL via operator's instructions. (TNX 425DX) UA, RUSSIA Special calls RA20NY, RC20NY, RG20NY, RK20NY, RL20NY, RM20NY, RN20NY, RO20NY, RT20NY, RU20NY, RW20NY, RX20NY and RZ20NY are active <u>until January 14</u> for the "Russian New Year 2020" radio marathon organized by the Miller DX Club. QSL via Club Log OQRS.

UA, RUSSIA The Russian Robinson Club is active as **R200ANT** <u>until end March</u> to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the discovery of Antarctica. QSL via RZ3EC. The first confirmed sighting of mainland Antarctica (27 January 1820) is attributed to the Russian expedition led by Fabian Gottlieb von Bellingshausen and Mikhail Lazarev, who discovered an ice shelf at Princess Martha Coast that later became known as the Fimbul Ice Shelf.